

A Note from Steve Cureton, Transitional Pastor - Due to my responsibilities as Executive Presbyter and leader with the Synod of the Trinity, I will be away from the office May 8 -12, May 15-18, and May 24-25. I am so sorry that I will be spending so much time away from Grove. I will be available by phone, and we have pastoral coverage for those times. I look forward to a calmer June. Please, let me know if you have any questions.

Grove Presbyterian Church News

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May 7, 2017

Summer Hour Of Worship: From Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend, Grove suspends its Church School program, and conducts one service of worship at 9:30 am. Please note that as of **Sunday, May 28th**, we begin one service at **9:30 am**.

Calendar of Church Events

- Sun. May 7:** **Communion & Ingathering Offerings**
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School
 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 AM Worship
 11:15 AM Women's Recognition Special Coffee Hr
 11:30 AM Speaker on Syrian Refugees
 6:00 PM Grove Serves Ronald McDonald House
- Mon. May 8:** **PW Retreat Registrations Due**
 6:15 PM Grove vs. Stillwater Christian Bible @ Mt. Pleasant
- Tues. May 9:** 9:00 AM Spiritual Growth Group – GR
 9:45 AM Office Staff Meeting
 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir
- Wed. May 10:** 5:00 PM Walk Fellowship Group
 5:00 PM Kindermusik A / 5:45 Kindermusik B
 6:30 PM Youth & Jr. Choirs
 6:30 PM Cherub Choir
 6:30 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 7:30 PM Kerygma
- Thurs. May 11:** 7:00 PM BSA Troop 39 – FH
 7:00 PM Danville Community Band – Trinity UMC
- Fri. May 12:** **Scout Flowers Pick-Up Day**
 2:30 PM - 7:00 PM Viola / Violin Lessons – FH
 7:30 PM Susquehanna Valley Chorale – Susquehanna University
- Sat. May 13:** 10:00 AM Relay for Life – Danville Middle School
 7:30 PM Susquehanna Valley Chorale – Susquehanna University
- Sun. May 14:** **Mother's Day**
 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Church School
 9:45 AM Adult Choir Rehearsal
 10:15 AM Worship – Adult Bells
 7:00 PM Church Book Club – Home of Barbara & John Clement



We welcome guests to complete a Pew Card and place it in the offering plate.

If you are new in the area or are looking for a new place of worship and fellowship, we extend to you a warm welcome. For our first time guests we want you to have a special gift. On the windowsills you will find a mug. Please take one with our compliments. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee on us.

Fully handicapped accessible bathrooms, for both men and women, are located in the foyer of the courtyard entrance, which can be reached through the fellowship hall. The door to the fellowship hall is to the right of the pulpit. See ushers if you need assistance.

All persons are welcome to yield themselves to the Communion of the Lord's Supper, professing faith in Christ Jesus as Lord, devoting their lives to Christian discipleship, removing from their hearts any improper affection or lack of love towards their brothers and sisters in Christ.

Children are welcome to the table, provided they come with parental permission and an appreciation for the meaning of the Sacrament. Adults who are interested in Baptism and church membership are invited to talk with the pastor or any of the Elders. The communion elements consist of cubed bread, gluten free wafers, and regular grape juice.

Communion Elders scheduled for today are Beth Christian, William Henning, Bryan L. Holmes, Natalie B. Kupas, and Jim Nemeth.



Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of all the women in our lives, given by Cathy and David Sanders.

Deacons for the month of May are Pam Franklin and Kathy Zakarian. Large print bulletins and bulletins for children are available from the ushers.



Today - Women's Recognition Coffee Hour: The Congregation is invited to attend a Women's Recognition special coffee hour immediately following the worship service today. We thank Dave Sanders, Gary Christian, Eric Deeter, Scott Romberger and the Men of Grove for hosting. Help us continue to enjoy simple coffee hour fellowship after worship each Sunday by signing up to host. A sign-up sheet can be found hanging on the wall outside the church kitchen. Coffee hour will not take place on the days the sign-up sheet remains vacant. Additional help and contributions for coffee hour are always welcome. Please feel free to assist or co-sponsor a coffee hour, even when slots are filled. Contact the person who is listed to see if you can help fill in with any remaining needs. Please remember, no nut products due to allergies.

2017 CHURCH DATA			
MONTH TO DATE	AMT.	YEAR TO DATE	AMT.
Apr. Budget Needed	\$ 29,924.50	2017 Budget	\$320,000.00
Apr. Offerings Received	\$ 30,282.00	2017 Offerings	\$ 80,961.47
Apr. Balance Needed =	(\$ 0.00)	2017 Balance =	(\$239,038.53)

Attendance April 30: 10:15 AM = 96
 May Offering Needed: 29,880.00

Next Breakfast Group: Will meet **Thursday, May 18** at 8:30 AM at Ric-Mar Restaurant. Please contact Jim & Kate Smith, 570-458-6194.

Thank You: We would like to thank Pastor Cureton, Session, and the Grove Congregation for the beautiful flowering plant, cards, and gift cards we received for administrative week. Thank you for your thoughtfulness. - Clare & Kristin

Today - Speaker on Syria at Grove: Come and learn how you can support Syrian refugees today **Sunday, May 7th** during coffee hour (11:30-12:30). Dr. Rodwan Rajjoub, a local neurosurgeon from Williamsport, will speak about his volunteer experiences as well as ways to provide support for the refugee cause.

Ronald McDonald House – Today: Grove will be providing dinner for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House on **Sunday, May 7th** and again **Sunday June 4th** at 6pm. Sign-up sheets are posted in fellowship hall. Help with cooking and set-up are appreciated. Please contact Amanda Leicht at 570-275-7761 or amandaleicht@hotmail.com if you have any questions.

Food Bank: Thank you for your gifts for today's Food Bank Ingathering. The Food Bank is in great need of your support. **Giveaways** are the **1st Saturday of each month**. Sorting starts at 8:00 am with the giveaways from 10am-1pm. Volunteers are always needed. Contact Sue Pierce 570-275-2142 or Joe Neizer 570-441-6867 for more information or to volunteer.

Next Weekend - The Susquehanna Valley Chorale will present their POPS Concerts on **May 12 and 13** at 7:30 pm at Weber Auditorium, Susquehanna University. The theme is Golden Age of Musical Theatre featuring music of Rogers and Hammerstein. The audience will hear iconic songs from some of this amazing duo's most popular shows: The Sound of Music, The King and I, Oklahoma, South Pacific, and Carousel. Tickets are available at SVCmusic.org, or by calling 570-547-0455 or at the door.



2017 Flower Chart: In order to ensure beautiful flowers each Sunday, please help by filling in upcoming dates. The next open dates are **June 11, 18, & 25, and July 9, 16, & 30**.

Registration Due Tomorrow - PW Women's Retreat: The Presbyterian Women's Retreat is scheduled for **June 15-17** at the Marriott Courtyard Convention Center in Altoona, PA. The theme is "**Created to Shine.**" Registration Forms can be found on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall and in the church office. **Registrations must be received by tomorrow May 8th**. For questions, please contact Laura Smith at gonhpn@aol.com or Diane Kitts at 570-275-3467 or email dianekitts@gmail.com.

Danville Community Band: Thursday, May 11, 7 PM - The Danville Community Band will present their annual spring concert at Trinity United Methodist Church, 306 Lombard Ave., Danville, PA.

Scout Flowers: Can be picked up **this Friday, May 12th**. Contact your friendly local scout for more details.

Grove Book Club: Selection for **Sunday, May 14th** - "*A Thousand Splendid Suns,*" by *Khaled Hosseini*. We will gather at 7:00 PM in the home of Barbara and John Clement – 38 Overlook Drive. Newcomers are always welcome.

Community Singers Concert: The Community Singers will present its Spring concert "**And There is Music**" **Monday, May 15, 2017** at 7PM. Location: St. Peter's United Methodist Church, 240 Sunbury Road, Riverside. This is a free concert and no tickets are needed. A freewill offering will be taken. Refreshments will be served in the church social hall following the concert.

Church Softball - Batter Up!!! : Attention Grovers, the season is underway so grab your glove and some Ben Gay...let's play some softball. The Susquehanna Valley Church Softball League is co-ed for anyone 15 or older. 2017 schedules are on the back tables of the sanctuary. Call Christian LaMotte, lamotte90@gmail.com or call Ken Weaver at 570-394-2285 with questions.

Boy Scout Fundraiser: Boy Scouts of Troop 39 traveling to Philmont are hosting a Lularoe sale/fundraiser on **Saturday, May 20th**, 9am-1pm in the Fellowship hall. There will be multiple consultants with hundreds of clothing pieces for sale. Come spruce up your spring wardrobe and help a scout at the same time. Contact Jen Henning with questions – 570-275-4708 or jbbenning@verizon.net.

Baccalaureate Service: During the 10:15 AM service on **May 21st**, the congregation would appreciate the opportunity to recognize and celebrate our young people who are preparing to graduate from High School. If any of the graduates would like to participate in the worship service itself, please inform Pastor Cureton grovesteve17@gmail.com, 570-275-1965.

PW Spring Gathering: **Saturday, May 20th** at Bloomsburg First Presbyterian Church – theme "Prison Ministries in Our Area. Registration begins at 9:30 AM. Lunch will be provided by the women of the church. You are invited to bring stories or pictures from old minutes from your women's groups to share with others during lunch. For more information, call Diane Kitts at 275-3467.

Horn Lake Elite Choir Visits Grove - Sunday, May 21: Horn Lake High School is bringing their fabulous Voci Novella Elite Ensemble choir all the way from Mississippi to Grove on **Sunday, May 21**. We will enjoy a **Pot-Luck** brunch with the choir after the worship service – so bring your favorite dish! Horn Lake Choir will then provide a concert beginning at 1:00 pm. This is something you won't want to miss! This high school choir travels the east coast, collecting choir prizes at prestigious competitions.

Traveling Day Camp at Grove: Krislund's Traveling Day Camp comes to Grove again for the week of **June 19**. Mark your calendars now and plan vacations around this wonderful event. Campers ages kindergarten through eighth grade are invited as well as counselors. Cost this year is: \$50 /child; \$40 for the second child in a family, and \$30 for third and others in family. Registration forms can be obtained from the church office or in the narthex. All counselors must have their clearances. Help is needed with lunches and assisting group leaders. Contact Lynne Pabst if you are able to help.

Last Day Of Sunday School: The 2016-2017 Sunday School Year Concludes with a field day of Bible games on **Sunday, May 21st**. Parents are invited to join the children for this hour of fun and to tests Bible knowledge.

Chicken BBQ: Imagine a delicious BBQ chicken dinner on a hot summer night . . . sound good? Grove is planning on a Chicken BBQ Dinner fundraiser for the Traveling Day Camp. Pick Up your yummy dinner on **Sunday June 11th** from 3PM-5PM only. Tickets are \$10 each and include half BBQ chicken, potato salad, baked beans, cornbread and a dessert. Tickets available during fellowship hour, at the church office, or from any Nurture Committee member. Limited number available so don't delay!

Got a Favorite Potato Salad Recipe? If so – donations or potato salad are needed for the Chicken BBQ. Please see Sue Oberkircher for details.

June 2nd - Ronald McDonald Fundraising Event @ The Woodlands – Deuces Wild, Dueling Pianos! Please join us for a wonderful evening of frivolity and singing. Todd Gibson is leading a charge to raise \$100k for the Ronald McDonald House Family Room in the Janet Weis Children's Hospital. He and his team have also received commitment from Geisinger Health Plan to match every dollar raised up to \$100k. Dueling Piano is a wonderful event showcasing two exceptional and nationally recognized performers. You will not be disappointed. Ticket sales are limited, first come first serve. See back tables for registration brochures, sponsorships/donations and ticket information.

Dine Out!! Tomorrow and Tuesday 5/8 & 5/9, 4 pm – 10 pm @ The Pine Barn In – 15% of sales are being donated to support families at Ronald McDonald House! Reservations highly recommended & you must mention that you are there to support the Ronald McDonald House. Great food & fellowship for a Great Cause.

Syrian Refugees Fundraising Event: Come join in on a festive evening of Middle Eastern appetizers and good fellowship to raise funds for Syrian refugees. The appetizer event will be held on **Friday, June 16th** at 6:30 pm, at the home of Mary Ellen and Helmut Doll (66 Overlook Dr., Danville). A free will offering will be accepted. Contact Mary Ellen should you have questions mewd@ptd.net. We hope to see you all there.

Mandated Reporter Training: Along with the law that volunteers who work with minors have clearances is the Mandated Reporter Training. Grove has been trying to create a yearly opportunity for volunteers to obtain this training. Camp Krislund is offering the opportunity for church volunteers to participate in its Mandated Reporter Training on **June 2nd free of charge**. Any church staff, or volunteers who would like to take advantage of this training can see Lynne Pabst - *registration required by May 22*.

Mission Work Camp: Did you know that the counties near Krislund have some of the highest poverty rates in Pennsylvania? Many include elderly families who live in homes that need repair. Krislund wants to help you help your neighbors. Northumberland Presbytery is organizing a Mission Work Camp through Krislund which will take place **June 25 – 30**. Volunteers can help out several ways: 1. Participate, 2. Help recruit, 3. Contribute part of the cost for someone to participate (\$375.00 for direct costs and construction materials), or 4. Pray for the success of the camp. Please see the back tables for flyers with more information. Contact The Committee on Service Northumberland Presbytery for registration forms or more information: 570-368-3906, presbynorth@comcast.net. *Registrations are needed by May 22 to make this event possible.*



On tour
in your area from
Horn Lake High School
in Horn Lake,
Mississippi!

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LIVE CONCERT

SUNDAY - MAY 21 - 1:00 PM
at Grove Presbyterian Church
330 Bloom Street
Danville, PA 17821